



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: **SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC  
ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MS: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 30, 2005 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of time for three months with necessary fees.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on **page 2** of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on **page 3** of this paper.

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